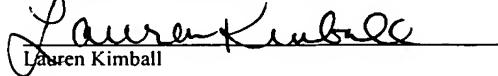


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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL (37 CFR. § 1.53(b))
(Regular application claiming priority of a provisional)

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Sir: This is a request for filing a patent application under 37 CFR. § 1.53(b) in the name of inventors:
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For: **QUICK RELEASE STRUCTURES FOR A COMPUTER**

Assigned to: Apple Computer, Inc.

Priority of U.S. provisional application No. 60/535,279 filed on January 8, 2004 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e).

Amend the specification by inserting after the title the sentence: "This application claims priority of U.S. provisional application No. filed on which is hereby incorporated by reference."

Application Elements:

- 55 Pages of Specification, Claims and Abstract
- 22 Sheets of formal Drawings
- Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney
- Separate Declaration

Accompanying Application Parts:

- Do not publish this application. Nonpublication Request is attached.
- Assignment and Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet (recording fee of \$40.00 enclosed)
- Associate Power of Attorney
- Application Data Sheet
- Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449
- Preliminary Amendment
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Claim For Foreign Priority

Priority of Application No. filed on
is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119.

The certified copy is enclosed.

The certified copy has been filed in prior application U.S. Application No.

The certified copy will follow.

Fee Calculation (37 CFR § 1.16)

Applicant is entitled to Small Entity Status under 37 C.F.R. §1.27.

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